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THAT was a very small piece of business on the part of the House Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds in compelling the keeper of the restaurant to reserve two of the four rooms for the exclusive use of the Members and their friends. This was done to shut out House employees. One reason given for their action, and a lame one, too, was that the employees sometimes annoyed Members with invitations to drink. It's a pretty frigid day when an M. C. will refuse to take "authin'" when invited.

MR. SHELLEY, from the Committee on the District of Columbia, has submitted an adverse report on the bill providing for the incorporation of another gaslight company in this District. The following is the first reason given for not granting the charter asked for:

As Congress has by law provided complete and rigid regulations for the control of existing gaslight companies, and possesses the power to alter or amend such regulations at any time, having power under the terms of the charter to fix the price, increase the rate, and improve the quality of the gas, it would, in the opinion of your committee, be unwise to grant this charter.

If this is true, why is it that Congress does not propose to enforce the law? Why does it not do something to protect the citizens of this District against the outrage perpetrated against them as well as upon the Government by the Washington Gaslight Company? But says Mr. Shelley: "So far as we have been able to obtain information, the gas furnished to the people of the District gives general satisfaction both as to purity and power."

Mr. Shelley must have obtained his information from the gas company and ignored Mr. John Bailey's services to write the report, because no disinterested citizen would ever have said that the gas furnished gave general satisfaction.

"Ordinarily, continues this report"—"It is true that competition cheapens production, but in the manufacture of gas, under such regulations as exist in the District, a reduction of cost can be made by allowing existing companies to occupy the entire field and enlarge their business in accordance with the growth of the city. The larger the amount of business they do the cheaper they can furnish the gas."

If this is true, why is it that we have so poor a quality of gas and pay such an extravagant price for it?

Continuing, Mr. Shelley says:

As Congress has the authority to fix the price and regulate all matters connected with existing companies, and all such companies can be corrected by Congressional enactment.

If Congress has this authority, why is it that it does not exercise it? Nobody doubts its authority to do what Mr. Shelley says it has the power to do. But for some reason or other Congress has for years played into the hands of the existing gaslight company, and the people have had to foot the bill.

WHAT causes the delay in making settlement with the people whose land was condemned and taken by the Government for the purpose of increasing the water supply, &c., of this District?

By the act approved July 15, 1882, the Secretary of War was directed to make survey of the land necessary to extend the Washington Aqueduct, and it was further ordered that Charles Jackson of the District of Columbia, upon application of the Attorney-General, should appoint three disinterested persons to act as appraisers, whose duty shall be to value such land or tract presented to them by the Attorney-General and report to him the valuation of the same, and that the Attorney-General, upon being satisfied as to the title, cause to be offered to the owner or owners the amount fixed by the appraisers as the value thereof, and upon the execution of a deed to the United States in proper form, the Secretary of War shall pay the amount to the owners, &c.

The provision of the law above cited, so far as it relates to the survey, appointment of appraisers and the valuation of the land, has been fully complied with.

Brainerd H. Warner, Matthew G. Emory and Thomas Fisher were appointed the appraisers under the act cited. They have appraised the land and filed their report in the office of the Attorney-General more than six weeks ago, but to the present time no settlement has been made, and no information can be obtained at the Attorney-General's office when it will be made.

The Government has gone ahead with its improvements and compelled the people to vacate this land, and their little homes have been destroyed, their houses torn down over their heads, and they have been compelled to seek shelter wherever they could find it. A large part of the land thus condemned was the homes of very poor people, and they neither have shelter now nor the means to secure it. The seeming unnecessary delay in their payment of these people is a great hardship and a gross outrage. Coupled with the right of the Government to take private property for public purposes is the right in the citizen to receive prompt payment for it, and we believe that is good law even in the District of Columbia.

A Cunniff Hoaxer.

At a recent school examination in Indiana the teacher requested the class in history to name some of the great men of the present day.

Toutain a half a dozen hands were raised. "But," said the teacher, "these are all Republican names, cannot you name some Democrats?" "Yes, sir," said Jeff Davis, Dan Voorhees and Joe McDonald.

The Cumberland Coal Trade.

The shipments from the mines of the Cumberland region for the week ending Saturday, March 29, 1884, were 51,507 tons, and for the year to that date 44,556 tons, a decrease of 5,000 tons as compared with the corresponding period of last year. The coal was shipped as follows: To the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad—40,000 tons; year, 37,708 tons; increase over last year, 2,292 tons. To the Chesapeake & Ohio Canal—1,508 tons; year, 1,508 tons; decrease from last year, 22,793 tons.

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